

House Resolution 1954

By: Representatives May of the 111th and Walker of the 107th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Melinda S. Quinn for her outstanding public service to the children of Georgia; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Melinda S. Quinn is a graduate of Georgia Southwestern University and has
4 been a resident of Walton County since 1972; and

5 WHEREAS, she is a loving mother to two children, Patrick and Amanda, and is also now
6 enjoying her five grandchildren; and

7 WHEREAS, she is married to Wayne Quinn, who is retired from 34 years of service as a
8 state probation officer; and

9 WHEREAS, her busy life has included: teaching middle school in Social Circle City
10 Schools, staying home and raising kids, organizing and hosting nursing mother's support
11 groups, teaching Lamaze childbirth classes, leading Girl and Boy Scout troops, teaching
12 Sunday School at Corinth Christian Church, serving as president of the Monroe Primary
13 PTO, working in Child Protective Services at the Walton County Department of Family and
14 Children Services for over 15 years, assisting with formalizing policy for child abuse/neglect
15 investigation protocol, serving as chair of the Walton County Protocol and Child Death
16 Review Committee, and serving on the Governor's Cabinet for Child Protective Services; and

17 WHEREAS, during her distinguished career as an advocate for children she has received
18 many awards and honors, including: Georgia Woman's Club Clubwoman of the Year,
19 appointment as an original board member of Walton County Commission on Children and
20 Youth, Unsung Hero, and the Jean Harris Award; and

21 WHEREAS, she has served on or chaired many different boards and committees, including:
22 WCPS School Improvement, Boys & Girls Club (Monroe) founding board member, SCCS
23 SACS Review, Navigator Team, Region 5 Peer to Peer Network Chair, Workforce

24 Development (Chamber of Commerce), Child Fatality Review Committee, Safe and Drug
25 Free Schools, NOW House, Babyreads, Family Life Task Force (SCCS), 21st Century
26 Community Learning Center, On Stage, and the Governor's Action Group for Safe Children;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, Melinda has been a presenter at several conferences, including: the National
29 Youth at Risk Conference, the Family Connection 8th Biennial Conference, and the Family
30 Support America National Conference; and

31 WHEREAS, she has also served as the Coordinator of The Partnership for Families, Children
32 and Youth and the core focus of her work is relationship building, effective strategic
33 planning, and local decision making in order to make positive changes for families; and

34 WHEREAS, it is only proper and fitting that her outstanding work for the children in her area
35 be recognized on the occasion of her retirement from public service.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body honor the outstanding public service of Melinda S. Quinn and wish
38 her only the best life has to offer during her retirement.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Melinda S. Quinn.